

Companies Represented,
WASHINGTON IN-
DUSTRY COMPANY, PROV-
DENCE, R. I.
Assets Dec. 31, 1917
\$100,000.00
Liabilities
\$65,000.00
Bonds,
\$3,074,035.51
Savings Bank,
\$99,530.21
Loans,
\$1,047,701.70
Accounts,
\$1,168.65
Rents,
\$1,310.02
Assets,
\$70,001.10
Liabilities,
\$8,847,146.25
Assets not admitted,
\$5,255.75
Assets,
\$6,811,890.50
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917
\$1,012,721.98
Loans,
\$2,702,115.25
Accounts,
\$230,000.00
Liabilities,
\$1,000,000.00
All Liabilities,
\$1,777,053.50
Assets,
\$6,811,890.50
Liabilities,
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BATE NOTICES

Persons interested in either of the following named:
Bates Court at Paris in vaca-
tion for the County of Oxford,
at our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and eighteen.
The latter having been presented
in thereupon heretofore in-
terested hereby ORDERED:
It is therefore given to all
interested, by causing a copy of
this to be published three weeks
in the Oxford County Citizen
published at Bethel, in that
they may appear at said Par-
thir Tuesday of March,
at 10 o'clock in the fore-
noon heard thereon if they see

Brown, late of Bethel, de-
ceased, and petition for probate
the appointment of Ellyer
executor thereof presented
Park, the executor therein
appointment to be made
according to said will.
J. W. DENNETT,
Judge of said Court.
-attest:
T. D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE

Further hereby gives notice
been duly appointed admin-
estate of Horace G. Ben-
of Lincoln Plantation in
of Oxford, deceased, and
as the law directs. All
demanding against the es-
deceased are desired to pre-
for settlement, and all in
to be requested to make
immediately.

J. W. DENNETT,
N. Wilson's Mills, Maine.
March 1, 1918. 225 St.



scribe for the

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GRANGE NEWS

CANTON GRANGE

At the regular meeting of Canton Grange, Saturday, there was an excellent attendance and a fine meeting held. The first and second degrees were conferred on one candidate. Included in the program were quotations by members; a paper, "New Inventions," by Rodney McCollister; singing by Grange; paper, "Some of My Favorite Books and Why," Miss Florence G. Childs; book discussion, general; reading, Mrs. Cora B. Fuller; "Seed Supply and Foreign Crops," general discussion; music by the Nightingale Club; question, "Resolved, That the Government Should Own Public Utilities," affirmative, C. F. Tripp, negative, O. M. Richardson; recitation, Miss Ruth Johnson. The next meeting will be the Grange Educational Day and in the afternoon the schools and teachers are invited, also the superintendent and school board.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE

Bear River Grange held its regular meeting in the Grange Hall, Newry Corner, March 16, at 8.15 P. M. Worthy Master in chair filled vacant chairs as follows: Gate Keeper, Bro. M. A. Holt; Chaplain, Bro. S. P. Davis; Treasurer, Bro. Chapman; Ceres, Sister Selma Smith. Minutes of last meeting read. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on a class of three. The following was the literary program: Song, "Old Glory." Roll Call, Recollections of School Days Song, encore, Bro. Earl Davis Reading, Bro. L. E. Wright Song, Bro. Brink Reading, Sister Perol Brink Grange called to order. On motion it was voted to have a masquerade ball and box supper, March 27. Committee on dance: Brothers Henry, Davis and Brink. Committee on dining room and kitchen: Sisters Davis, Bailey and Selma Smith. Closed in form. Twenty-seven members present.

WEST PARIS GRANGE

West Paris Grange held an all day meeting, Saturday, with the Worthy Master, D. A. Grover, presiding. There were 40 members present. We were very glad to have with us 20 members from Paris Grange, and several from other Granges. All of the officers were present except the Gate Keeper, Ceres and Flora. Bro. E. S. Tuell acted as G. K., pro tem. The officers of Paris Grange worked the first and second degrees on two candidates. A rising vote of thanks was extended to the officers of the visiting Grange, in appreciation of the good work done in conferring the degrees. At noon a good dinner and social hour was enjoyed, after which an open meeting was declared during the lecture program which follows: Song, "America," Grange Piano Solo, Doris Field Brother H. M. Tucker, our speaker for the afternoon, spoke very interestingly on "Animal Industry." Reading, Madeline Peabody Trio—Dancing Butterflies, Doris Field, Madeline Peabody and Edith Stevens Reading, Grace Stevens The Worthy Master from Paris Grange spoke a few words, and asked for a rising vote of thanks from the members of his Grange. Piano Solo, "Silver Stars," Madeline Peabody Vocal Solo, Mrs. B. T. White Chorus Song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

NORWAY GRANGE

An all day session was held by Norway Grange on Saturday, March 23. The meeting was called to order at 10.45 a. m. by Worthy Master W. O. Perry. Officers pro tem for a short period: Lecturer, Mrs. A. E. K. Grover; Secretary, Edith Holgate; Lady Assistant Steward, Emma Swan; Poetess, Abbie J. Tubbs; Ceres, Alice Marston. Meeting opened in form with singing "America." After a short business session the third and fourth degrees were conferred on two candidates, viz: Ruth Akers and Mrs. Ada Kliger. Prof. G. A. Yeaton and P. H. Dudley, State Horticulturalist, were present and were the speakers in the afternoon. Mary Gammon was pianist during the degree work. A recess was declared for dinner. The meeting was again called to order by Worthy Master Perry at 1.15 p. m. As this was "Apple Day" in Norway Grange Captain Arthur Buck and his assistants had decorated the stage in keeping with the occasion. At the center back of the stage was a standard with suitable mottoes in all with green backgrounds. At the foot a stand supported a pyramid of apples. Flags surmounted the top of the standard. The first decorations at 1.30 p. m. were in red and green with pyramids of apples at intervals. Captain Buck's program was as follows: Song,

BETHEL HAS NEW INDUSTRY

Mr. Fritz J. Tyler has sold out his blacksmithing and carriage making business and has fitted up his shops for the making of corn packing cases. A new planer and four new saws have been installed, all of an up-to-date design. The planer planes the board on both sides at once and then the different saws cut it up into the required sizes. The saws being especially interesting. All are run by electric power. Mr. Tyler's idea was to make cases for his own factory here at Bethel and that is probably all that he will do this year as he has only a limited supply of box boards. Another year he intends to employ five or six men as the Burnham & Merrill Company have agreed to take his output. The outlook for the corn shop is very good as a number of acres have already been signed up and with the increase in prices and the generous treatment of last year many are to plant who did not last year. From the first of his entering business Mr. Tyler has maintained the principles of honest and upright trades with a "square deal" to all, and in his new venture we doubt not that the same principles will prevail and will be successful.

MAHALEY E. SMITH

Mrs. Mahaley E. Smith died very suddenly last Wednesday night at her home in the Mark Swan house. Mrs. Smith was born in South Portland about 17 years ago, the daughter of Leonard and Ada Johnson Armstrong. She came to Bethel a number of years ago with her mother, who is now Mrs. John X. Bennett, with whom she made her home until her marriage with George Smith. She is survived by two children, husband, father, mother and one brother. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon with Rev. Mr. Trueman officiating.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The Democratic Caucus was held at the Lock-up last Saturday afternoon and the following town committee elected: Chairman, P. L. Edwards. Secretary, P. C. Thurston. Members: H. E. Littlefield, Wade H. Thurston, A. P. Chapman, Fred Holt, Harry D. Hastings, John Howe, Gayd Bennett, Harold Hutchins, W. H. Foley. Delegates to State Convention in Portland on April 3 are: M. L. Thurston, H. E. Littlefield, J. P. Skilling, A. P. Chapman; Alternates, Hugh D. Thurston, P. L. Edwards, Wade H. Thurston, John Howe.

"The Grange is Marching On," in which the audience joined, Ruth Akers, pianist; Paper, "The Importance of Grange Work," Mrs. A. E. K. Grover. Prof. G. A. Yeaton was introduced and he gave a very instructive talk on grafting and the ways of settling selons demonstrating the work with proper materials. He also gave a short talk on the effects of the Blister Rust on pine trees, and advised the destruction of the currant and gooseberry bushes as they were the greatest menace to the pine growth. Prof. Yeaton was obliged to leave at the close of his talk. Song, "In the Shade of the Old Apple Tree," Arthur Buck, Harriet Buck, Mrs. A. E. K. Grover. P. H. Dudley was then introduced and with samples of affected wood and photographs gave an exceedingly interesting and profitable talk on the orchard and care of same and answered several questions in regard to the work. The next meeting will be in charge of Captain Ada Cox and assistants, April 13. A Boys' Corn Club is to be organized on that day. A speaker is expected to be present. Minutes read and approved. Meeting closed in form. Those who do not own orchards or farms in any way could not fail to be interested in the work as presented in the lectures mentioned above, and one is fortunate to have such valued information that they can at their ease follow in those who are deprived of the privilege of listening to those giving instruction as a scientific plan and from actual experience and experiments.

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WHY NOT BUY IT IN MARCH?

DAYLIGHT SAVING ACT IN EFFECT MAR. 31

All Clocks in United States To Be Set Ahead One Hour On Last Day Of March

The Daylight Saving Bill is now a law and will become effective on the last day of March. The plan is to set clocks ahead one hour at 2 A. M. on that date and set them back an hour at the same time on the last Sunday in October. This has been accomplished after years of agitation. There will be little doubt about its full practical acceptance throughout the country, for Congress has full authority over interstate commerce, and "railroad time" becomes everybody's time. On the last day of April it is broad daylight at half-past six, and to make that hour half-past six by common consent will be made so readily that no one will notice it except in the added convenience that it will presently bring. The objection to the daylight saving plan has been one-half mathematical, proceeding from those who regard the sun's meridian position as somehow unprejudice in human affairs, and the other half apprehensive, coming from those who vaguely suspect some broad upon their morning rest or some broad upon their working time, though they cannot tell why. The full text of the law follows: Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that, for the purpose of establishing the standard time of the United States, the territory of Continental United States shall be divided into five zones in the manner hereinafter provided. The standard time of the first zone shall be based on the mean astronomical time of the seventy-fifth degree of longitude West from Greenwich; that of the second zone on the sixtieth degree; that of the third zone on the fifth degree; that of the fourth zone on the 120th degree, and that of the fifth zone, which shall include only Alaska, on the 150th degree. That the limits of each zone shall be defined by an order of the Interstate Commerce Commission, having regard for the convenience of commerce and the existing junction points and division points of common carriers engaged in commerce between the several States and with foreign nations, and such order may be modified from time to time. Section 2. That within the respective zones created under the authority hereof the standard time of the zone shall govern the movement of all common carriers engaged in commerce between the several States or between a State and any of the territories of the United States or between a State or the territory of Alaska and any of the insular possessions of the United States or any foreign country. In all statutes, orders, rules, and regulations relating to the time of performance of any act by any officer or department of the United States, whether in the legislative, executive, or judicial branches of the Government, or relating to the time within which any rights shall accrue or determine, or within which any act shall or shall not be performed by any person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, it shall be understood and intended that the time shall be the United States standard time of the zone within which the act is to be performed. Section 3. That at 2 o'clock antemeridian of the last Sunday in March of each year, the standard time of each zone shall be advanced an hour, and at 2 o'clock antemeridian of the last Sunday in October in each year the standard time of each zone shall, by the retarding of one hour, be returned to the mean astronomical time of the degree of longitude governing said zone, as that between the last Sunday in March at 2 o'clock antemeridian and the last Sunday in October at 2 o'clock antemeridian in each year the standard time in each zone shall be one hour in advance of the mean astronomical time of the degree of longitude governing each zone, respectively. Section 4. That the standard time of the first zone shall be known and designated as United States Standard Eastern Time; that of the second zone shall be known and designated as United States Standard Central Time; that of the third zone shall be known and designated as United States Standard Mountain Time; that of the fourth zone shall be known and designated as United States Standard Pacific Time; and that of the fifth zone shall be known and designated as United States Standard Alaska Time. Section 5. That all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

RED CROSS NOTES

The Red Cross rooms will be closed for the next ten days and it is requested that all having articles should keep them until the rooms are open.

About the middle of March the following articles were sent: 32 sweaters, 37 pair socks, 9 pair wristers, 6 mufflers, and the following acknowledgement was received from Margaret G. Flako, Gen. Sec., of the Boston Headquarters: "We are in receipt of your shipment of case No. 28 for which we wish to thank you. This shipment was most satisfactory in every way and the garments were all well made."

NAVY LEAGUE

It has been deemed advisable to close the Navy League rooms for the next ten days and all articles should be retained until April 9th.

The response to the call for socks was very gratifying. 18 pairs came in the mail the morning of March 19 and they have been coming ever since. An extract from a letter written to Miss Pease from the Washington headquarters says: "I sent out an S. O. S. call for socks as we have had a demand for four thousand pairs for some of the mine layers and also for two marine regiments that are sailing."

The daylight saving plan will go in to effect and be observed without the slightest disorganization or impairment of existing conditions. Before retiring on the last Saturday of this month the American householder will set his clock an hour ahead and then may go to sleep and forget entirely about daylight saving until the last Saturday of October. On that date he will reverse the process. In the summer the American man actually will rise, transact his daily business and retire at an hour earlier than has been his custom, but with his clock an hour fast he will not know the difference. An hour of daylight thus will be conserved in the afternoon. The plan's practicability and efficiency have been effectively demonstrated in twelve European countries. The following beneficial results are expected: A great saving of illuminants. Increased conservation of coal. Increased manufacturing production as the result of improvement in working conditions. General benefits to the national health because of an additional hour of daylight which may be devoted to recreation. Reduction in the cost of living to some who can raise garden truck for domestic consumption. Improvement of the training conditions for the fighting forces.

OXFORD COUNTY'S FIRST DRAFT LIST

The Seventeen Men Who Will Make Up The First Quota

- Below are given the names and addresses of the seventeen men who are the first to be called for military service from the registered men of Oxford County. This is the quota of Oxford County under the recent order of Provost Marshal General Crowder:
- James Merrill Perry, 340 Hancock Street, Rumford.
 - Jean Bastarache, 16 Oxford Ave., Rumford.
 - Carl Edward Shattuck, Roxbury.
 - Joseph Edouard Maillet, 27 E. Charles Street, Rumford.
 - Jacob Astor Klain, 20 Main St., Norway.
 - Glaude Albert Gaddard, Bethel.
 - Allan Augustus Coant, Hecuba.
 - Victor L. Keeland, North Fryeburg.
 - Frank Arzunkult, Mexico.
 - Daniel McBozall, 31 Loehness Rd., Rumford.
 - Neal Dow Harlow, Dixfield.
 - Fred Waite Holman, Dixfield.
 - Guy Lewis York, Canton.
 - John Korzik, 17 Middle Ave., Mexico.
 - Robert Schenk, Norway.
 - William Archie Wallace, 137 Pleasant St., Rumford.
 - Wendell Holmes Knox, Fryeburg.
- These men will leave South Paris en masse the 2.38 train, in the forenoon of Tuesday, April 2, for Camp Devens, Mass. They should be given evidence of the appreciation of the people of the county for the service that they are rendering. There is perhaps no better way to elaborate this suggestion than to give the words of a letter in this paper from the Oxford County exemption board: "These men are the first to be sent from this county under the draft and for, or from the nearest United States, deserve equal honors with men who Army Recruiting Station."

SCHOOL NOTES

The boys of the seventh and eighth grades will soon be roving in the delights of unpacking a set of tools for Manual Training work, which, with a carpenter's bench, have been presented to the School Committee for the use of the village schools by Charles L. Pollard. There are thirty tools in the set, and tall vice; it is the outfit such as the New York cities install for Manual Training work.

Mr. Pollard has not only presented the boys with the tools, but has agreed to assist them with instruction in their use two afternoons a week during the spring term in connection with doing something of a practical nature. The boys were given a short talk on the last afternoon of the winter term on the use of edged tools. Work will start as soon as the tools arrive, which, it is thought, will be in the middle of the present vacation.

A shop will be fitted up in the attic of the school building, shelves made for the tools, and perhaps boards nailed up at one side to long joists and enclosing a chimney, keeping out a draft and keeping in the heat. It is possible that with both chimneys enclosed and the room made fairly tight, there will be heat sufficient to enable the room to be used even in the winter time.

There is only one tool of a kind in the set being presented and it is probable that the boys will soon be installing some tools of their own. If any one has any tool that they care to spare for the boys it will certainly be heartily welcomed by them, and if anyone is so much interested in this new work as to wish to donate some dressed lumber for construction work it can be put to very good use; Mr. Pollard, or a member of the School Committee, or the School Superintendent should be notified, at once if any one has in mind making a gift of some wood for the boys to work upon.

Mr. Pollard has charge of camp construction work at Camp Wyndee, Harrison, of which he is assistant director. The School Committee is very appreciative of the interest and generosity of Mr. Pollard and surely the boys will be voluntarily enlisted, inasmuch as the government has committed itself to the policy of conscription. In fact many of our drafted men have earnestly, but futilely sought to be voluntarily inducted into the military or naval service of the United States, only to be passed as fit for service under the draft. This however, is not to be construed as a criticism of the government, for any prudent man will admit that the need of the government for men is vastly more pressing than it was some months ago.

NOT NECESSARY TO BE A CITIZEN TO JOIN U. S. ARMY

It was recently learned from Captain Peter Courtney, the United States Army Recruiting officer in charge of this district it is not necessary for aliens to have their first or second naturalization papers in order to join the United States Army. "I have heard recently," said Captain Courtney, "that many foreign born residents of this country would have joined the United States Army a long time ago, but for the fact that they thought they had to be a citizen of this country first, and I think it should be generally known that this is not the case, and that citizens of any country except Germany and her allies, can be accepted for enlistment in the United States Army in any of the many branches that are now open if they are found to be physically qualified."

Captain Courtney further stated that of the 597 applicants accepted for the Army in Maine and New Hampshire since the 1st of January, practically 20 per cent of them were foreign born and had not taken out their first citizenship papers. Some time during the past summer the War Department made a ruling disbaring citizens of Greece from enlistment in the army, but that order has been revoked since the first of January and Greeks are now accepted on the same basis with American-born applicants.

Further information along these lines can be obtained from the local postmaster, or from the nearest United States Army Recruiting Station.

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FARM MACHINERY
All those intending to purchase new machinery this year or desiring parts for old machinery should place their order at once. In ordering parts be sure to give the number of the part. No parts or machinery will be carried in stock this year.
C. L. DAVIS,
Bethel, Maine.

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State price and quantity. We furnish cans and shipping cases.
J. B. MASON,
Mechanic Falls, Me.
2-21-18.

THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

DAIRY PRODUCTS
Frances R. Freeman, Professor of Home Economics in Farmers' Week Course

The dairy products constitute one of the most important groups of food which is known. Milk and its products, chiefly butter and cheese, constitutes about one-sixth of the total food of the average family. Cheese is believed to be the oldest of the dairy products and the first form in which milk was prepared for future use. Although it has been a staple article of food with many races for years, there is a widespread belief, which is entirely erroneous, that it is of value only in small amounts as an accessory to the diet.

Perhaps no food from the animal kingdom is eaten more commonly in all countries or served in a greater variety of ways than eggs.

The average composition of milk is 33 per cent protein, 4 per cent fat, 5 per cent milk sugar and 7 per cent mineral salts. The actual nutritive value depends to quite a large extent upon the peculiar types of these constituents present. The lactose or milk sugar is in solution and is less liable to ferment than cane sugar. The fat is already emulsified hence is more readily available than fats of other foods with the exception of eggs. The protein is in the best form for storage and contains those compounds most necessary for growth and maintenance. The most important mineral salts in the diet are calcium phosphorus and iron. These occur in milk in a form most easily utilized by the body. Calcium content of the diet depends mainly upon milk. It is a fairly economical food when compared to other animal foods. Approximately one quart milk is equivalent in fuel value to one pound of steak or to eight or nine eggs. Milk should be a staple article of food especially for the growing child, one quart per day not being an excessive amount.

Cheese is a very concentrated food being approximately one third water, one third fat, and one fourth protein. It lacks carbohydrates (sugar and starch) hence it should be served with foods high in these constituents, as rice, potato, bread, etc. It contains no indigestible material so should be served in a meal which contains bulk—foods as the green vegetables. These supply bulk or ballast which is necessary for intestinal peristalsis. Cheese is spoken of as being indigestible meaning ease of digestion. This is partly due to serving cheese at the end of a meal already sufficient, or to improper preparation. It should be served as an integral part of the meal replacing the meat which is also a high protein food. In preparing it, digestion is furthered if it is slowly divided and also cooked at a low temperature. If these precautions are observed it may be served interchangeably with meat and fish and should occupy a more important place in the diet.

WAR TIME RECIPES

CHEESE

Cheese Omelette

1 1/2 cups cottage cheese, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 teaspoon melted fat, 2 tablespoons milk, 3 eggs, lemon or vanilla flavoring.

Press the cheese through a colander or wash to a pan; beat the eggs until light; add them with all the other ingredients to the cheese; mix until smooth. Place in a baking dish and

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bake in a moderate oven about 30 minutes. This is so high in nutritive value that it should form the main dish for a meal.

English Monkey
4 cups bread crumbs, 2 cups milk, 1/2 cup cheese, salt and pepper to taste. Heat the bread crumbs and milk. If the crumbs are not well moistened, add water. When hot, add cheese cut in small pieces. Remove from fire and stir until cheese is melted. May be served on toast.

Cheese Fondue
3 tablespoons finely divided cheese, 1/3 cup stale bread crumbs, 1 egg, 1/3 cup scalded milk, 1 teaspoon fat, salt. Mix all the ingredients but the egg. Add yolk, beaten until lemon colored. Fold in the stiffly beaten white. Pour into a baking dish and bake 20 minutes in a moderate oven. If bread crumbs are stale, more milk will be required.

Welsh Rarebit No. 1
2 tablespoons fat, 1 cup milk, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 egg yolk if desired, cheese (1).
Prepare a white sauce with flour, fat and milk. Add cheese (finely divided) to taste, and egg yolk. Remove from fire.

Welsh Rarebit No. 2
1/2 cup milk or cream, 1/2 cup cheese (finely divided), 1 tablespoon fat, 2 eggs, salt and pepper.
Melt fat, add cheese and thoroughly mix. Add milk slowly and when hot, the beaten eggs. Cook until thick and creamy. Be careful not to overcook. If overcooked the cheese will become stringy or the egg may separate. Serve on water or toast.

Cheese Souffle
2 tablespoons fat, 3 eggs, salt and cayenne, 1/2 cup scalded milk, 3 tablespoons flour, 1/2 cup grated or finely cut cheese.
Make white sauce of fat, flour and milk. Then add salt, cayenne and cheese. Remove from fire, add well beaten yolks of eggs and whites beaten until stiff and dry. Pour into a buttered baking dish set in a pan of water and bake in a moderate oven about 30 minutes.

French Rarebit
Fill a baking dish with alternate layers of bread that has been sliced, and cut into small squares, and cheese, with or grated or ground. Moistened this roughly with a mixture made in the following proportions: 1 cup of milk, 1 egg, salt, cayenne pepper and mustard. Bake until thoroughly heated through and browned on top.

Tomato-Cheese Toast
Sprinkle grated cheese on toast and put in oven to melt cheese. Pour over 1 tomato sauce.

Cheese Sauce
Add grated or chopped cheese to white sauce in the proportion of about 1 tablespoon of cheese to 1 cup of white sauce.

NORTH NEWRY

Ray Hamscom of Errol, N. H., was a guest of his brother, Harry, and family last week.

The people of North Newry gave a whist party at Mr. Kilgore's Hall, Saturday night for the benefit of the Red Cross. Between six and seven dollars was realized.

Miss Carrie Wight of Machias is at home for the Easter vacation.

Miss Nora Bennett has gone to Bethel to work for a few days.

L. E. Wight went to Sunday River one day last week.

W. B. Wight was chosen a delegate to the Republican State Convention to be held at Portland.

ATNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, Accident and Liability Department, 600 Main St., Hartford, Conn. Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate, \$9,018.93
Mortgage Loans, \$2,234,390.00
Collateral Loans, \$29,280.00
Stocks and Bonds, \$2,519,412.40
Cash in Office and Bank, \$3,115,577.49
Agents' Balances, \$2,660,224.20
Bills Receivable and due, \$1,123.75
Prepaid Accounts, \$180,727.22
Interest and Rents, \$13,739,717.80
All other Assets, \$140,635,583.07
Deduct items not admitted, \$74,388.16
Total Assets, \$140,561,194.91

Admitted Assets, \$140,561,194.91
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917
Net Unpaid Losses, \$5,259,622.56
Unearned Premiums, \$2,304,903.28
All other Liabilities, \$10,585,341.01
Cash Capital, \$5,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$13,529,172.06

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$140,561,194.91
MERRILL & HASTINGS, Agents, Fryeburg, Maine.

UNITED DRUGGISTS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, BOSTON, MASS. Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Mortgages, \$1,000.00
Loans, \$2,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, Back Value, \$80,000.00
Cash on Hand and in Banks, \$1,500.00
Accounts Receivable, \$17,281.00
Bills Receivable, \$64.10
Interest Accrued, \$4,328.28
Total Assets, \$82,010.38
Less Unadmitted Accounts, \$6,014.71
Total Assets, \$75,995.67

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917
Reserve for Losses in Process of Adjustment, \$72,212.92
Premium Reserve, \$105,818.96
Reserve for Unpaid Bills, \$1,000.00
Total Liabilities, \$179,031.88
Capital Stock, \$110,103.41
Surplus, \$68,928.47
Net Surplus, \$121,460.73
Total Assets, \$121,460.73
Surplus to Policy Holders, \$234,460.73
E. C. CARLIS, Agent, Augusta, Maine.

CANTON

The remains of George H. Bryant, who passed away at his home in Auburn were brought to Canton, Thursday for interment in Pine Woods cemetery. They were accompanied by his widow who was formerly Miss Laura Fletcher of Canton, his two brothers, Harry and Frank L. Bryant of Auburn, his sister, Mrs. Lillian Howard of Mechanic Falls, and his brother-in-law, Cleon Fletcher of Auburn.

Mrs. Lewis Phinney passed away at her home in North Turner last week. Joseph Stone and family have moved from Gilbertville to Chisholm Mills.

Miss Eva Briggs has been a guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. W. Brown, of Hartford.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Ellis attended the funeral of her uncle at Farmington last Thursday.

Miss Eleanor Westgate closed her school at Gilbertville, Friday.

Mrs. Mary Reed has been called to Auburn by the illness of a friend.

Mrs. John Lavorgna is visiting her sister at Waterville for a few weeks.

Mrs. Myrtle Bradford has been visiting her father, Mr. Beals, of Hebron.

Mrs. Annie T. Rose has returned home from Cambridge, Mass., where she was called by the illness of her granddaughter.

The Misses Mary and Ruth Richardson have been guests of Miss Mildred Richardson at Arlington, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Marco Lavorgna have been spending a week visiting in Vermont.

Miss Ethel Russell of Auburn was a recent guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Russell.

A meeting of the Androscoggin Valley Agricultural Society will be held at Canton Grange Hall next Saturday.

Eleanor and Arthur Westgate played for a dance at East Sumner, Friday night.

Charles Darrington and wife have been guests of his father, John L. Darrington, of Pleasant street.

Benj. A. Swasey of Togus was a visitor in town, Thursday.

Miss Pauline House of North Turner has been a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Geo. F. Towle.

Cecil and Ione Chase of Livermore Falls are guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Bertrand C. Ludden, and family.

Mrs. Annie Lowell has been confined to her home by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Dalley of Gilbertville have been guests of her sister, Mrs. H. O. Stone, of Virginia.

There will be no moving pictures in Canton this week as usual.

Dr. Ralph W. Bicknell has been chosen President of the Oxford County Medical Association at a recent meeting held at Bumford.

Mrs. Ralph McCallum has been entertaining her mother, Mrs. White and little daughter of Auburn.

Mrs. Rosie Bicknell is assisting at the home of Mrs. O. M. Richardson.

The little child of Frank Kilbreth and wife was run over a few days ago and his face and head severely cut and bruised.

William Forester, who was called to the colors, has passed away with pneumonia. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Forester of Hartford. His brother, Oliver, has gone with his company to France.

Miss Margaret Kelley of Bath is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Theon Woodward.

Miss Jessie Reed is at work for Mrs. Ralph W. Bicknell.

H. T. Tirrell was in Lewiston, Sunday, to visit his son, Herman Tirrell, at the C. M. Hospital, and found him more comfortable.

EAST BETHEL

Mr. Ralph Richardson has moved from his farm here to Hanover village.

Mr. Everett Billings has moved from Hanover to the Sumner Magill farm he recently purchased.

Mr. Albert Swan, who has been spending the winter in West Paris, has recently purchased a new home.

Mr. Willis Bartlett has returned from his winter's work at Byron, also Mr. W. W. Brack from Newry.

Mr. Chas. H. Kimball of South Paris, recently visited relatives here, also at Hanover.

Lillian Faye Sanborn is spending several weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kimball.

Miss Ruth Holt has been spending several weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Martin.

The measles are in the family of Mr. W. W. Brack.

As a result of the Red Cross benefit held at Orange Hall, Tuesday evening, March 19, \$24.60 was realized. A very interesting program was given in charge of Mrs. Fregburn Bean and Miss Ethel Cole. The one act drama, entitled, "Ring Round Rosy," was exceedingly well presented by Mr. and Mrs. Fregburn Bean, Miss Edna Bartlett and Mr. Cyban Bartlett. The musical numbers of the program included Piano Solo, Miss Ethel Cole; Piano Trio, Mrs. Fregburn Bean, Miss Edna Bartlett, Miss Ethel Cole; Vocal Solo, Miss Mena Martin of Bethel, with encore. Miss Marylyn very kindly gave her assistance which was very much enjoyed and appreciated.

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SUNDAY RIVER

Mrs. Howard Bailey and little son, have returned home after spending two weeks in Portland.

Mrs. Frank Williamson returned home Saturday after spending two weeks with her son, Earle, in Arlington, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Egan and children are visiting at Lewis Egan's.

Lewis Egan is helping Rob Foster a few days with his team.

Mrs. B. M. Dean has returned home after spending several weeks with her sister in Andover.

J. A. Nowlin moved his family out of the woods the first of the week.

Mrs. Eliza Spaulding returned home Saturday after spending a week with her children in this place.

Herbert Long and Walter Atwell finished work for Walter Emery and are staying at H. M. Kendall's.

Miss Alma Wilson of Wilson's Mills is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Fowler.

Walter Emery, who has been logging in Errol all winter, has broke camp and returned home. Mr. Emery sold quite a number of his horses before coming home.

Little Frank Tolman, who has been quite sick with the measles, is better at this writing.

Elmer Dean, who is working in Gorham, spent Sunday at home.

ALBANY

Albert Keniston has bought Leslie Cummings' farm and will soon move onto it.

The little McNally, Bean and Adams girls are to entertain the Circle at the vestry, Friday evening, Mar. 29.

James Gould of Lewiston is a guest of his aunt, Anna Cummings.

Mrs. Lilla Stearns and Mrs. Dora Beckler recently visited with E. T. Judson and family of North Norway.

Abel Andrews has finished building wood to Bethel.

Fred Littlefield still has a number of teams hauling hatched wood.

Prevention is better than physic.

Mrs. Dora Beckler and Miss Alta Cummings have been spending a few days with Mrs. Frank Dean of Oxford.

THE AUTOMOBILE INS. CO. OF HARTFORD, CONN. Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Mortgage Loans, \$426,100.00
Collateral Loans, \$33,175.00
Stocks and Bonds, \$3,277,301.64
Cash in Office and Bank, \$1,636,318.07
Agents' Balances, \$1,020,080.20
Bills Receivable, \$5,316.64
Interest and Rents, \$4,454.60
All other Assets, \$8,774.00
Gross Assets, \$7,298,059.55
Deduct items not admitted, \$1,491.04
Total Assets, \$7,296,568.51

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917
Net Unpaid Losses, \$777,872.73
Unearned Premiums, \$1,011,057.52
All other Liabilities, \$9,015.23
Cash Capital, \$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$2,486,883.02

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$7,296,568.51
MERRILL & HASTINGS, Agents, Fryeburg, Maine.

THE ATNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, 650 Main St., Hartford, Conn. Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Mortgage Loans, \$1,514,100.00
Collateral Loans, \$1,588,785.05
Stocks and Bonds, \$3,553,785.05
Cash in Office and Bank, \$1,817,286.05
Agents' Balances, \$3,553,876.24
Bills Receivable and Prepaid Accounts, \$1,123.19
Interest and Rents, \$97,102.92
All other Assets, \$12,217.99
Gross Assets, \$10,540,408.01
Deduct items not admitted, \$13,417.48
Total Assets, \$10,526,990.53

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,588,785.05
Unearned Premiums, \$1,491,057.52
All other Liabilities, \$708,211.20
Cash Capital, \$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$2,486,883.02

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$10,526,990.53
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NORWAY, MAINE

Mayor Geo. F. Nick of Berlin, a former Bethel boy, was inaugurated on Monday for the fourth time as Mayor of Berlin.

Miss Gladys Spearis went to Berlin, N. H., Friday, to spend her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Spearis.

Mrs. Albert G. House and daughter of Sunday River, who have had rooms at Miss Lillian Blake's this winter, returned to their farm, Thursday.

Mr. Edwin G. Sherwin of Boston, Mass., came Thursday to spend several weeks as the guest of Mr. T. B. Goodwin.

Bank Examiner Mr. E. F. Parker with his assistant Mr. Carroll were in town Tuesday to examine the Bethel National Bank.

Miss Blanche Richardson of Livermore Falls arrived home Saturday to spend the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Richardson.

Mrs. D. G. Lovejoy was in So. Paris, Wednesday.

Mr. E. C. Park was a business visitor in Portland, Wednesday.

Miss Whittemore of Seal Harbor is calling on friends in town.

Mr. Samuel Ray and family of North Waterford are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Holt.

Mr. John Arno has returned home from Kresl, N. H., where he has had employment.

Miss Elsie Bartlett was the guest of her brother, Mr. Walter Bartlett, and family last week.

Mr. George Giddard of Plymouth, N. H., is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Giddard.

Mrs. Henry Hagg and little daughter of Kresl are guests of Mrs. Hagg's mother, Mrs. Krennison.

Mr. Hugh Thompson and family of West Bethel were Sunday guests of Mr. Howard Thompson and family.

Mrs. Charles Brown and daughter of Lake Umbagog were guests of relatives in town the first of the week.

All the churches will be closed next Sunday as a precautionary measure against the spread of measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Chase are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a son born Thursday, March 21.

Mr. Harry King and family, who have been spending the winter in Dr. R. H. Tibbott's home, returned to their home at Northwest Bethel, Tuesday.

Mr. Leonard Armstrong of So. Portland was in town last week to attend the funeral of his daughter, Mrs. Mabel Armstrong Smith. Howard Armstrong accompanied him home.

Mrs. E. M. Walker, R. G. Lovejoy, A. Van Den Kerkhof, R. G. Bero and Herman Mason were to Portland, Wednesday morning as delegates to the Republican State Convention.

BETHEL and Vicinity

Mr. F. L. Edwards was in Norway one day last week.

Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Brown were in Portland, Tuesday.

Mrs. Farr went to her home in Bristol, Me., to spend her vacation.

Mr. Carl Neal of Portland was calling on friends in town last week.

Mr. Ray Parker is employed at Thurston's mill during his vacation.

Mr. Gilman Twitchell of Berlin, N. H., was a business visitor in town, Friday.

Mrs. George L. Smith was the guest of relatives in Berlin a few days last week.

Mrs. Bertha Jenkins of Upton, was the guest of Mrs. R. E. L. Parwell, Sunday.

Mrs. F. E. Purrington and Mrs. I. H. Wight were in Berlin, N. H., one day last week.

Mr. Roger Sloan of Norway is spending a few weeks with his mother, Mrs. Bessie Sloan.

Miss Hazel Keniston was the guest of Miss Libbie Goodbridge at West Bethel last week.

Miss Edith Soper is spending her vacation with Mrs. Donald Bean and family at South Paris.

Mr. Archie Buck, who has been home sick with the measles, returned to the Bath ship yards, Monday.

Messrs. Daniel and William Forbes were week end guests of their brother, Mr. David Forbes, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Frost of Gorham, N. H., were Sunday guests of Mrs. Frost's sister, Mrs. Alma Mitchell.

Dr. Bartlett of Norway was a business visitor in town last week and was the guest of Dr. L. H. Wight and family.

Mr. George Thomas was called to Calais, Vt., last Friday by the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. Malcolm McKay.

Master Rupert Starling of Yarmouth is spending a few days with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Purrington.

Dr. Morris Brown of Dorchester, Mass., was the guest of his brother, Dr. E. L. Brown, and family the first of the week.

Miss Ernestine Philbrook of Bates College is spending the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Philbrook.

Mr. Virgil Wight was the guest of Dr. L. H. Wight and family last week on his way from Hebron to his home in Milan, N. H.

Mrs. Clyde Lowe and baby, who have been spending several weeks at Mr. Charles Cole's, have returned to their home in Percy, N. H.

Miss Marian Pratt and Mrs. F. E. Hanson went to Reading, Mass., Saturday to spend the Easter vacation with Mrs. Pratt's mother.

Mr. Fred A. Tibbott was in Norway, Monday, to attend the meeting for the organization of the Third Liberty Loan drive in Oxford County.

Miss Dorothy Seaton, who has been spending the winter with Mrs. Ella Carter and family, returned to her home in Greenwich, Conn., Wednesday.

Dr. Gard Treadle, who has been so severely ill of pneumonia at the St. G. Hospital in Lewiston, returned home Saturday much improved in health.

Mr. David Giddard came home from Hempstead, Long Island, New York, Friday, to spend a few days' furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Giddard.

Mrs. Ida Packard of the week end as the guest of Miss Elsie Philbrook at her home in Livermore Falls. Miss Marion Wilson took her place in the telephone office during her absence.

Mrs. H. W. Boyker and daughter, Muriel, and mother, Mrs. Richardson, who have been spending the winter with Mr. Becker in Bethel, returned to their home in Portland last week.

Mr. Guy Polson of Farmington, Maine, came last Saturday to visit his mother, Mrs. Lucy Polson. He returned home Monday accompanied by his wife who has been spending a few weeks.

Mrs. W. W. Thomas and wife, who have been spending the winter at Bethel, left for Farmington last week where they will visit their son, Wolfgang, who is attending the Abbott School.

NOTICE!

To the Motorists of Bethel and Vicinity:

After analyzing the Automobileservice situation very thoroughly, and for the sole purpose of giving our valued patrons the very best service possible, we find it absolutely necessary to place our business on a strictly cash basis.

Owing to the unusual business conditions on account of the war, causing demands on us entirely different from anything existing heretofore, and in order to meet these demands and give our customers the best service possible, we deem it advisable to adopt this plan.

Therefore, beginning Apr. 1, 1918, our fixed rate to everybody, will be strictly cash on delivery.

We might add that our purchases and labor bills have to be handled on a spot cash basis, and in order to do this we will either have to collect promptly or go out of business.

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Mr. Harry Carter of Gorham, N. H., was the week end guest of his mother, Mrs. Ella Carter.

Mrs. Foster and daughter, Hattie, who have been spending the winter at Mr. C. A. Baker's, Sunday River, have returned to their home in Bethel.

Prof. W. H. Chapman started Monday for a visit to the different festival choruses of the State. His trip will take him about 1,000 miles which he made this week.

Mr. Ralph Young, who has been in the week end guest of his mother, Mrs. Ella Carter.

They Hutchinson has gone to her home in Massachusetts to spend the vacation. Mrs. Rufus Skillings accompanied her as far as Portland.

Miss Alma Cheney and Mr. Elmer Small returned to their home in Bowdoinham, Friday. Miss Myrtle Beck accompanied them to spend the Easter vacation.

STUART W. GOODWIN

INSURANCE

NORWAY, MAINE

Statements of a Few Companies Represented

GRANITE STATE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, PORTSMOUTH, N. H.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate, 419,274.03

Mortgage Loans, 47,800.00

Stocks and Bonds, 1,171,273.75

Cash in Office and Bank, 104,178.08

Agents' Balances, 186,661.24

Interest and Rents, 17,462.48

All other Assets, 3,748.75

Gross Assets, 419,274.03

Deduct Items not admitted, 65,338.14

Admitted Assets, 353,935.89

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917

Net Unpaid Losses, 47,800.00

Unearned Premiums, 899,628.38

All other Liabilities, 35,631.75

Cash Capital, 921,600.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 222,041.82

Total Liabilities and Surplus, 419,274.03

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THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON & GLOBE INS. CO., Ltd.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate, 1,328,082.19

Mortgage Loans, 868,150.00

Stocks and Bonds, 3,074.23

Cash in Office and Bank, 8,823,200.47

Agents' Balances, 2,178,200.00

Interest and Rents, 5,043,463.15

Bills Receivable, 186,000.00

All other Assets, 114,028.43

Gross Assets, 18,627,418.87

Deduct Items not admitted, 774,348.10

Admitted Assets, 18,627,418.87

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917

Net Unpaid Losses, 47,800.00

Unearned Premiums, 1,500,000.00

All other Liabilities, 780,241.97

Surplus over all Liabilities, 4,709,376.90

Total Liabilities and Surplus, 18,627,418.87

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ROYAL INSURANCE CO., Ltd.

OF LIVERPOOL, ENGL.

Assets December 31, 1917

Real Estate, 14,014,121.91

Mortgage Loans, 187,600.00

Stocks and Bonds, 8,746,800.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 1,736,000.00

Agents' Balances, 5,968,912.78

Bills Receivable, 12,411.12

Interest and Rents, 115,283.81

All other Assets, 225,181.83

Gross Assets, 317,287,377.81

Deduct Items not admitted, 781,632.41

Admitted Assets, 316,505,745.40

Liabilities December 31, 1917

Net Unpaid Losses, 47,800.00

Unearned Premiums, 6,851,434.37

All other Liabilities, 848,287.51

Cash Capital, 482,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 5,726,808.54

Total Liabilities and Surplus, 316,505,745.40

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CONNECTICUT FIRE INSURANCE CO., OF HARTFORD, CONN.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Mortgage Loans, 330,000.00

Collateral Loans, 220,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 6,642,712.17

Cash in Office and Bank, 1,260,000.00

Agents' Balances, 708,450.00

Bills Receivable, 95,187.42

Interest and Rents, 88,402.33

All other Assets, 2,700.67

Gross Assets, 10,808,382.54

Deduct Items not admitted, 428,011.51

Admitted Assets, 10,808,382.54

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917

Net Unpaid Losses, 47,800.00

Unearned Premiums, 4,841,732.96

All other Liabilities, 570,000.00

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,979,701.58

Total Liabilities and Surplus, 10,808,382.54

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Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Loans, \$1,328,682.19

Loans, \$54,120.47

Loans, \$5,523,704.47

Loans, \$1,778,890.00

Loans, \$6,043,467.15

Loans, \$186,000.00

Loans, \$114,020.47

Loans, \$280,814.01

Loans, \$16,927,418.75

Loans, \$774,344.15

Loans, \$16,133,008.77

Loans, \$1,171,171.17

Loans, \$1,250,763.47

Loans, \$1,000,000.00

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RUMFORD

A dance was held at Rumford Mechanics Institute on Friday evening last, wholly a complimentary affair, at which time fees and cakes were sold to pay for the music, this being the only expense of the evening. It is now planned to hold a dance each Friday evening until the local basketball season is closed.

It is an assured fact that Rumford is to have another industry in the immediate future, which while not to employ a very large number of men, will be considerable users of electricity of which the Rumford Falls Power Company has an abundant supply from their immense development. This new plant is to be located on a lot near the Rumford Metal Company, adjacent to the railroad tracks, to facilitate the shipment of its product, and the receiving of raw material. Details of its production have not been given out as yet, but it is understood that it is to be an alloy for hardening of steel. Mr. William G. Hinton, Industrial Agent of the Maine Central has been in town recently, going over the matter with Mr. Charles A. Mixer, chief engineer of the Power Company, for data as to locating an industrial track for the new company. Work will start at an early date.

To carry out the wishes of the voters of Rumford, who at the annual town meeting on March 4th voted to adopt the "Brunswick System" of town management, that is, to appoint a committee of 15 representative citizens to consider the appropriations before each town meeting, and to give suggestions and advice. Judge Matthew McCarthy, who was to appoint each, gives out the names as follows: Cleon S. Osgood, chairman; Richmond L. Melcher, Walter Kimball, Charles A. Mixer, Dr. Charles M. Bibeau, Arthur Gauthier, Waldo Pettengill, Theodore Hawley, Arctas E. Stearns, P. Edward McCarthy, Ralph T. Parker, Dana G. York, Jerry H. Martin, Silva J. Gonyea, and Walter Morse.

Mr. C. S. Osgood returned Monday from Georgetown, S. C., where he went with Mrs. Osgood to be the guest of their daughter, Mrs. B. G. McIntyre.

Mrs. Everett Jocelyn of Portland is visiting at the home of her father, Hon. Gen. D. Bibeau, called here by the illness of her father.

The many friends in town of Miss Blandine Sturtevant of Dixfield will be pleased to learn that her engagement to Mr. Oscar Edward Bredenberg of Champlain, New York, is announced.

Mr. Bredenberg has been connected with the Sheridan Iron Works of that place for the past eight years. The men of the Maine Congregational church will serve a fish supper in the vestry of the church on Tuesday night.

The people of Rumford are anticipating a great treat from the Elks' Minstrel which will occur on the evenings of April 4th and 5th. Miss McKeon of Portland has the trailing in charge and reports good progress. The first part is full of life and wit and the latest songs will be heard. There are thirty-five in the circle. The second part consists of a sketch entitled "The Ghost of Jerry Bundler," and many other specialties.

Donald McMaster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McMaster of Somerset street, has recently been promoted to sergeant in the 220th Aero Squadron now located at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas.

Mrs. R. T. Parker is spending a few days in Portland, the guest of Mrs. W. P. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin T. Hyde leave this week for Boston where they will make their home in the future.

Rumford has been actively engaged in furnishing its quota of discarded clothing for the British Relief Work. A good showing has been made up to date.

Hon. Geo. H. Baker is seriously ill at his home on Franklin street, suffering from a paralytic stroke.

Enter will be observed in all of the churches by special notice.

Miss Mildred Smith, stenographer at the home of Mrs. W. P. McDonald, is spending a few days in Auburn with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Taylor are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter. Mrs. Taylor is at the City's Hospital.

The Forum Class of the Presbyterian church was entertained last Wednesday evening by Mrs. Thelma and Mrs. Smith, Miss Lyford, Miss Hinkle and Mr. and Mrs. Chapman. The evening was most delightfully spent in playing games, contests and music were also enjoyed. Refreshments of coffee, sandwiches and cake were served.

How often you go about your work, the idea to mind that it will wear off—be all right shortly. Why wait? Why delay when relief is so handy and reasonable in the true "L.F." ATWOOD'S Medicine? It is a reliable prescription for any ailment based on digestive troubles; which troubles are generally at the bottom of those pesky little men headaches—loss of appetite—biliousness, sleeplessness, etc. This medicine is harmless—(good for young and old)—safe—effective. Has been standard with your druggist and general stockholders over 60 years. Do not longer delay enjoying the relief this excellent remedy affords. Large bottle, 30 cents. Sample free. The "L.F." Medicine Co., Portland, Me.

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Loans, \$250,000.00

Loans, \$125,000.00

Loans, \$62,500.00

Loans, \$31,250.00

Loans, \$15,625.00

Loans, \$7,812.50

Loans, \$3,906.25

Loans, \$1,953.12

Loans, \$976.56

Loans, \$488.28

Loans, \$244.14

Loans, \$122.07

Loans, \$61.03

Loans, \$30.51

Loans, \$15.26

Loans, \$7.63

SUMMING UP THE EVIDENCE

Many Bethel People Have Been Called As Witnesses

Week after week has been published the testimony of Bethel people—kidney sufferers—backache victims—people who have endured many forms of kidney, bladder or urinary disorders. These witnesses have used Doan's Kidney Pills. All have given their enthusiastic approval. It's the same everywhere. 60,000 American men and women are publicly recommending Doan's—always in the home papers. Isn't it a wonderful, convincing mass of proof? If you are a sufferer your verdict must be "Try Doan's first."

Here's one more Bethel case. Mrs. Julia Colburn, Mechanic St., says: "I had backache and a dull, heavy ache between the small of my back came on by spells. My night often blue and at times, I was dizzy. Doan's Kidney Pills proved fine for me, as I soon had relief from the backache and felt much better. I always keep Doan's on hand getting them from Rossmore's Drug Store and use them as needed. They always bring good results." Price 60c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Colburn had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

ANDOVER

There was a Democratic caucus held in the selectmen's office at the town hall, Saturday evening. The same town committee and officers were re-elected. The following delegates were elected to attend the State Convention to be held in Portland, April 3rd: Young A. Thurston, John F. Talbot, alternates, W. H. Kilgore, Matthias Mooney.

The Young Peoples' Whist met Wednesday evening of last week. Mrs. Walter Jackson and Ralph Hovey won the first prizes. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Abbie Wyman is visiting friends in Chelsea, Mass.

Dr. A. L. Stanwood and Frank Thomas were chosen delegates to attend the Republican Convention held in Portland, Thursday, March 28th.

Mrs. Rose Shorey, who has been visiting friends in Turner, returned to Andover, recently.

Y. A. Thurston and wife and Mr. Bedell were guests Sunday of Roger Thurston and wife.

Mrs. Charles Snell was ill last week with a severe throat trouble.

Mrs. George Learned is visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Abbott.

Eva Snell, who has been ill with a diphtheritic sore throat, is much better. The schools in town will reopen Monday, April 1st.

Miss Dorothy Kimball of Rumford Center is to teach the grammar school. Mrs. Homer Cutting is very ill. A trained nurse from Rumford is caring for her.

Fred Hutchins goes this week to the Upper Dam, where he will clerk for Mr. Chadwick.

Victor Akers, who has been in the woods sealing this winter, returned last week to Andover.

Wm. McLaughlin has been in town, recently.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club met Saturday evening at the home of C. A. Rand. The first prizes were won by Mrs. Frank Thomas and Y. A. Thurston; Mrs. Clara Lovejoy and Charles Hixley winning the second. Delightful refreshments were served.

Edward Pratt remains very ill. Elizabeth Hattfield, who is attending High school at Norway, is spending the vacation with her parents, Charles Hattfield and wife.

Albert Hixley, who has been clerking for Mr. Thurston at Black Brook, this winter, has returned to Andover.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hansen were in Portland a few days last week.

Frank Marston and wife from Rumford Park were guests of the parents, Mr. W. Marston and wife, Saturday and Sunday.

The drama, "The American Flag," was given Thursday evening, March 21st, at the town hall before a large audience. The parts were all well taken. An excellent supper with sandwiches and coffee was served after the drama. Hasting was the collector. The play was given by the F. H. U. of P., who raised a good sum of money.

B. L. Motley of Portland was in town, Thursday and Friday of last week.

The collection taken at the lecture given by Col. Cummings for the C. H. Aid Fund was over forty dollars.

WEST PARIS

At the Universalist church next Sunday morning there will be appropriate Easter services. Sermon by Rev. H. Markley.

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MANON

F. J. Boas, who has been caring for his brother, A. F. Boas, of Albany who has been very ill, has returned home.

Mrs. Cyprian Harding and son, Desmond, of South Paris are visiting Mrs. Harding's mother, Mrs. Elden Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Swen of Bethel spent the week end with Mrs. Swen's mother, Mrs. Elden Mills.

NOTION.

Will pay 3 cents per pound for clean rags suitable for wiping process.

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Mrs. Althea Quimby of Turner was entertained during her stay in town with Mrs. L. C. Bates.

It is reported that Dwight Stevens and family of Brookville, Mass., will occupy Mrs. Cora Stevens' house during the summer. Mr. Stevens is in very poor health.

Mrs. Rollin Dinsmore will go to Bath this week where her husband has work in the ship yard. They will have two rooms and do light housekeeping.

Mrs. Ralph Dean will go to Bath to work. This will enable her to be with her husband who is working at ship building.

Eugene Penley, son of F. R. Penley, is ill with measles.

Miss Clara Bacon is at home for the vacation from teaching at Farmington. Mildred Davis is spending the vacation at home from her school, Farmington Normal.

Roy F. Perham, who enlisted last spring in Co. D of Norway, is at home from North Carolina, where he has been stationed, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Perham.

WEST PERU

Arthur G. Child has been doing chores for his uncle, B. G. Child while the latter has been to Leeds on town business.

Mrs. O. J. Chase of Bath is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dow.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hammons of Hallowell were the week end guests of R. S. Tracy's family.

There was a pie social at the Grange Hall, Saturday evening for the benefit of the Red Cross.

H. E. Bowker is sawing wood for C. J. Tracy.

Nathan Plagg has purchased and moved the Irvin Wing camp.

POEMS WORTH READING

TODAY

Arise, O soul, this Easter Day!
The Lord is risen!
Forget the tomb of yesterday;
The Lord is risen!
And thou from bondage art set free,
Thou shalt in his victory,
The life eternal is for thee,
The Lord is risen!

—Sarah Lennox Arnold

THE OLD ROAD TO PARADISE

One is a dark Easterday and a woe-filled
spring,
But high up by heaven's gate all the
saints sing,
Glad for the great companies returning
to their King!

Oh, in youth the morn' a rose, dusk
an amethyst,
All the roads from dusk to dawn gayly
wind and twist—
The old road to paradise, easy is it
missed!

But out on the wet battlefields few the
roadways wind
(One is grief, one to death, no road
that's kind),
The old road to paradise, plain it is to
find!

(St. Martin in his colonel's cloak, Joan
in her mail,
David in his robe and sword—none
there by that fall—
Down the road to paradise they stand
to greet and hail!)

Where the dark's a terror-thing, morn'
a hope, dusk-croaked
Where the tale is thinking long out in
rain and frost,
There they find their God again long
ago they lost.

Where the night comes cruelly, where
the hurt men moan,
Where the crushed forgotten ones whisper
prayers alone,
Christ along the battlefields comes to
lead his own.

Reels that might have withered in
world's hot glare,
Blown and gone like shriveled things
dusty on the air,
Mark as rank they follow Him, young
and strong and fair!

One is a sad Easterday and a woe-filled
day,
Yet high up at heaven's gate all the
saints are gay,
For the old road to paradise—'tis a
crowded way!

—Margaret Wilder in Good House-keeping.

CROWN HIM KING

Mrs. M. F. D.

Hush! Once again 'tis Easter!
The same sweet story, old,
Of Christ—how born—in manger,
By star, His coming told;
Of years He spent for glory
In saving sinful men,
Bring Him, golden, shining,
And crown Him king again.

Hush! Once again 'tis Easter!
The cross-gift never fails;
Accept—know what He suffered,
The load of sin—the nails;
On God He called for mercy
For those who slew Him—then
Bring Him, golden, shining,
And crown Him king again.

Hush! Once again 'tis Easter!
The grave is wrecked! He's free!
The angels opened the doorway;
Come then, thy Father see;
Transfigured, beauteous, glorious,
His victory o'er death, pain,
Bring Him, golden, shining,
And crown Him king again.

Hush! Once again 'tis Easter!
"Oh death, where is thy sting?"
The grave has lost its power,
Let gladdest anthems ring;
Tell all the world His story!
Aye, love Him—praise Him—then
Bring Him, golden, shining,
And crown Him king again.

EASTER LESSONS

If I would learn the lesson
That the joyous Easter tells,
If I would know the meaning
Of the shining of the bells;

If I would feel the power
Of the Christ who died for me
And who rose to life eternal
That from sin I might be free;

I must look and I must listen,
For all nature joins the strain,
And the lessons she is teaching
Is "from death to life again."

'Tis the cold and frost of winter
Blept the little hillside flower,
Now it wakes in perfect sweetness,
Who can tell the wondrous power!

As the fallen leaves of autumn
Speak of death 'neath winter's blast
So the swelling buds of spring-time
Tell of summer-land at last.

May we look, and may we listen
For the hope that Easter brings
Of a glorious resurrection
When all Earth God's praises sing.

—Amanda M. Wallace.

LILIES OF PEACE

O! beautiful Easter lilies that open your
hearts today
In the dusk of the proud cathedral, or
the village chapel gray,

I look at your creamy petals and your
buds of pearl and snow,
And think of the stifling trenches o'er
the wide Atlantic's flow,

Where the soldiers wounded and weary,
unshaven and unshorn,
Crouched like beasts in their burrows,
wake to the Easter morn,

And their only Easter anthem is the
rumbling cannon-wheel,
And in place of the Easter lilies are
rows of cruel steel.

I think of the ruined altars with broken
candlesticks strewn,
The roofless walls that totter a-gape
to the sun and moon,

The bells in the battered towers that
hang so sad and still,
The silent pipes of the organs, the dark-
ness and the chill,

The empty aisles and the altars where
once the music poured,
In a silver flood of gladness to greet
the risen Lord.

And kneeling among the lilies fragrant
and pure and fair,
The white and wondrous lilies, I breathe
an Easter prayer.

"Lord of the Easter morning, in thy
compassion great,
Lift up the bleeding nations and cleanse
their souls of hate.

To Europe's war-worn people their rav-
aged homes restore,
And bid the fields of battle grow bright
with flowers once more;

And let these Easter lilies that glori-
ously unfold
Beneath the palmed window of saluta-
tion in blue and gold,

From snow-capped Fujiyama to purple
isles of Greece,
Hear through the world a message of
everlasting peace."

—Miss Irving in Leslie's.

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Foot-Ease, the antiseptic power for
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To The American People

There is no foundation for the alleged
violations of law attributed to our Com-
pany by agents of the Federal Trade
Commission and I want to say emphati-
cally that Swift & Company is not a party to
any conspiracy to defraud the Govern-
ment. Nor has Swift & Company been
guilty of improperly storing foods or of
making false entries or reports.

Conferences of packers, where prices
have been discussed, have been held at
the urgent request and in the presence
of representatives of either the Food
Administration or the Council of National
Defense. And yet the packers have been
accused of committing a felony by acting
in collusion on Government bids!

We have done our best, with other
packers, large and small, to comply with
the directions of the United States Food
Administration in all particulars, including
the furnishing of food supplies for the U. S.
Army and Navy and the Allies, now be-
ing handled through the Food Adminis-
tration.

We will continue to do our utmost, un-
der Government direction, to increase our
production and assist the Food Adminis-
tration. We consider that the opportunity
to co-operate whole-heartedly and to our
fullest powers with this branch of the
Government is our plain and most press-
ing duty.

The Trade Commission Attorney has,
by false inference and misplaced empha-
sis, given to disconnected portions of the
correspondence taken from our private
files and read into the Record, a false and
misleading meaning with the plain purpose
of creating antagonistic public opinion.

The services of the packers of the
United States are most urgently needed,
and I regret exceedingly that we should at
this time have to spend our efforts in
defending ourselves against unfounded,
unproved, and unfair assertions such as
are being daily made public.

L. I. Swift, President

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SOUTH PARIS

One of the oldest residents of South
Paris, Mrs. Columbia Muzzey, 95 years
of age, passed away Friday night at
the home of her daughter, Mrs. Herbert
Fields of High street, after a lingering
illness of several weeks due to old age.

The total donations to the Service
League during the past week were
\$163.52. A large amount of clothing has
been received to send to the aid of Bel-
gian refugees.

The Mount Pleasant Rebekah lodge
is holding an entertainment contest.
Sixteen have been chosen of nearly 60
members each. The captives are Miss
Hattie Leach and Miss Grace Thayer
on one side and Mrs. Sophia Clark and
Mrs. Irene Holm on the other. They
are to have three entertainments, each
side being allowed 45 minutes for the
entertainment each time and the differ-
ent numbers on the program are rated
and each counts a certain number. The
winning side is to be entertained by the
losers with a supper.

The Democratic caucus was held in
the Assessors' office, Saturday after-
noon at 2:30 o'clock. Frank A. Parris
presided. The following delegates were
chosen for the State Convention: Ralph
A. Cole, Charles F. Stevens, Frank W.
Parris, alternates, John B. Brown, Loren
J. Trask, Barton L. Swift, A. M. Ry-
erson, John McPherson, town commit-
tees, Frank A. Parris, chairman; Ernest J.
Rivers, secretary; Benton L. Swift, R.
T. Davis, A. M. Ryerson, Alvin D.
Swift, A. Henry Dean, Harry A. Low-
ell, John B. Trask, Ernest H. Herrick,
O. A. Thayer, Charles F. Stevens, Will-
iam L. Frisbington, Elmer L. Aldrich,
Loren J. Trask.

Quite a large crowd attended the
W. C. T. U. meeting at the Congrega-
tional church, Friday afternoon when
Mrs. Arthur O. Quimby, State President,
gave a very fine address upon the pres-
ent conditions. There were vocal songs
by Mrs. Anna Wheeler and Miss Emma
West.

The Friday evening train being near-
ly two hours late, getting here at 8
o'clock, the Mexico basketball boys
were somewhat late in arriving so the
High school socials was held before
the game. South Paris defeated Mex-
ico 25 to 12. Shirley Lawson, Superin-
tendent of Schools at Mexico, and Sum-
ner Davis, sub-master came with the
Mexico boys and were guests of their
parents over night, returning to Mex-
ico, Saturday morning.

The lecture at the Deering Memorial
church, Thursday evening, March 21,
by Rev. Henry H. Crane of Gorham
was well attended by a very apprecia-
tive audience. A collection amounting
to over \$25.00 was received for the Ser-
vice League. Mr. Crane was entertain-
ed while in town by Rev. and Mrs. D.
J. Faulkner, he and Mr. Faulkner be-
ing close friends.

The Safety First Club was enter-
tained Monday evening, March 25, by
Miss Pearl Bennett at the home of Mrs.
Martha Evans on Pleasant street.

The Ladies of the South Paris Ser-
vice League will hold a sale in Grand
Army Hall, Friday afternoon, April 5,
commencing at 2 o'clock.

Harry Lane was in town calling on
customers Friday.

Mrs. Carrie Lane of Upton returned
to her home Friday morning after
spending a few days with her sister,
Mrs. Martha Brown.

Mrs. Lillian White of Danville June-
tion was a guest of Mrs. Bert Rich-
ardson, Friday.

Mrs. Louisa Stewart and two chil-
dren, Geraldine and Gordon, went to
Portland, Friday morning. They went
to Fort McKibay and spent the week-
end with Dr. Stewart, who is stationed
there.

Mrs. Laura Hunter, who has been vis-
iting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Gold-
smith, of Pleasant street for ten days,
returned to her home in Bangor, Friday.

Miss Taylor, a trained nurse of Lew-
iston, is caring for Mrs. Harriet Brown,
who underwent a surgical operation sev-
eral days ago. Mrs. Brown is making a
very good recovery.

Mrs. Madge Dennison and Mrs. Jeff
Merrill went on a pleasure and shopping
trip to Lewiston, Friday.

Walter Dennison and daughter, Dor-
othy, went to Bangor, Thursday and
visited Mr. Dennison's grandmother,
Mrs. A. J. Gushing. From Bangor they
went to Portland, Friday morning,
returning home at night.

Herman Bryant of Hill street, who is
a student at Bates College, has secured
the position of clerk in the Elm House.

Benjamin Turner of Hill street is vis-
iting his brother and family at Buck-
field.

Arthur Parker, formerly employed by
the Paris Manufacturing Co., is spend-
ing a few days in town. During the
winter Mr. Parker has been surveying
lumber in the woods at Swift Diamond.

Mrs. Louise Briggs returned from
Portland, Thursday, after spending sev-
eral weeks with relatives.

Mrs. William P. Morton has just re-
ceived a very good photograph of her
son, Raymond, of Bangor, taken in
uniform, Raymond is a bugler in the
Coast Artillery and is now stationed at
Fort Williams.

Miss Edith Soper of Bethel came Fri-
day morning to Mrs. Donald Dean's to
spend her Easter vacation and care for
the twins.

Charles A. Cole and Clara A. Cole of
South Paris, formerly of Magnolia
Springs, Fla., have filed voluntary peti-
tions as bankrupts, with the clerk of
the U. S. District Court, Portland. The
debts of Charles A. Cole are listed at
\$38,414.01 and include notes amounting
to \$16,000 and mortgage of \$18,000 se-
cured by stock of the Lake Dunmore
Hotel & Realty Company, and held by
the estate of Ferdinand H. Duckwitz of
Philadelphia. The other debts ranging
from \$9 to \$935 were contracted at
Magnolia Springs, Fla. His assets are
valued at \$303 the greater part being
claimed exempted. The debts of Clara
A. Cole are listed at \$5,755, including
\$2300 to Mrs. Esther Ryerson and \$3000
to the Duckwitz estate. Her assets are
valued at \$400 of which \$430 is claimed
exempted.

An increase in wages has recently
taken effect at Paris Manufacturing
Company.

Freeland Witham, who suffered a
paralytic shock several days ago, is
reported as a little more comfortable.

Mrs. Gertrude Littlefield and Mrs.
Emma Hubbard were in Portland,
Thursday.

Frank Maxin was taken suddenly ill
Thursday morning.

Little Miss Winona Oliver is spend-
ing a few weeks with her grandparents,
Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, of Market
Square.

Mrs. Clarissa Fish of Massachusetts
has been a recent guest at Mr. and Mrs.
Honorable Edwards' of Oxford street.

Tom McGowan of Portland was in
town, Thursday, calling on customers.
Albert Foster Rogers, who is in the
Reserve Corps at Bowdoin College, is
spending the Easter vacation with his
people, Rev. and Mrs. J. Wellington
Rogers, of Pine street. Another son,
Charles Talbot Rogers, who is assistant
treasurer of Bowdoin College, recently
spent a few days here with his people.

Miss Grace Thayer made a business
trip to Portland, Thursday.

Friends of Miss Julia Morton, near
the climate in South Paris, N. C.,
do not agree with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Hayden of
Buckfield, who moved into one of the
Paris Manufacturing Co. bungalows last
fall, have moved back to Buckfield. Mr.
Hayden came here to work at the Paris
Manufacturing Co., but found his health
would not permit him to work inside.

David A. Jordan of Norway is with
his daughter, Mrs. J. G. Littlefield, of
Pleasant street and will make his home
here for the present.

Mrs. C. A. Record and Mrs. Leon B.
Fairbanks and daughter, Marjorie, of
Arlington, Mass., are guests of their
parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Crockett,
of Porter street. Mr. Crockett is in a
critical condition.

A little relief on both coal and sugar
has been realized during the past week.
The Grand Trunk painters are here
repairing the inside of South Paris sta-
tion.

The Married Ladies' Whist Club was
entertained this afternoon at the home
of Mrs. Franklin Goldsmith, on Pleas-
ant street.

Mrs. Leslie Bennett of Point Au-
ron, Ontario, is visiting her father and moth-
er in law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett,
of Paris for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hazelton are re-
ceiving congratulations upon the birth
of a baby girl. Mrs. Hazelton was Mac-
Bennett before her marriage.

Ivan Winslow of Paris, who has been
spending the winter in New York, re-
turned Wednesday.

Mrs. George Waterhouse of High
street went to Lewiston, Wednesday to
visit her grandson, Willie Bryant, who
has undergone three surgical operations
and is failing.

Peter McDougall of Bangor, who is a
Democratic candidate for County At-
torney, was in town on business, Wed-
nesday.

William McArthur left here Wednes-
day morning for Clairmont, Vt., where
he will spend two weeks with his son,
John McArthur and wife.

Archie Cole was in Portland on busi-
ness, Wednesday.

Mrs. Nellie Herrick was in Bethel

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teaching piano lessons, Wednesday and
Thursday.

Lester Penley of West Paris was in
town on business, Wednesday.

Edward E. Shaw, who has been em-
ployed in an automobile factory in De-
troit during the past year, has passed
his examination for the aviation corps
and expects to go to Massachusetts In-
stitute of Technology for ground train-
ing very soon.

Miss Cassie Briggs, who is attending
Simmons College in Boston, comes here
Friday to spend her Easter vacation
with her mother, Mrs. Corn S. Briggs,
and other relatives.

**WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY
TORONTO**

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	\$2,422,755.43
Stocks and Bonds	1,005,337.13
Cash in Office and Bank	850,477.48
Agents' Balances	302.00
Bills Receivable	30,186.83
Interest and Rents	3,149.82
All other Assets	\$1,442,159.68
Gross Assets	147,579.35
Deduct items not admit- ted	\$1,184,579.34
Admitted Assets	\$2,041,673.83
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	\$2,041,673.83
Net Unpaid Losses	\$267,081.44
Unearned Premiums	1,185,721.83
All other Liabilities	59,870.56
Cash Capital	400,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,121,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$4,194,579.34

3-21-31—F

**BRITISH AMERICA ASSURANCE CO.
TORONTO, CANADA**

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	\$1,656,470.85
Stocks and Bonds	308,488.01
Cash in Office and Bank	394,591.28
Agents' Balances	25,423.33
Interest and Rents	229.01
All other Assets	\$2,274,827.01
Gross Assets	333,153.38
Deduct items not admit- ted	\$2,041,673.83
Admitted Assets	\$2,041,673.83
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	\$2,041,673.83
Net Unpaid Losses	\$267,081.44
Unearned Premiums	1,185,721.83
All other Liabilities	59,870.56
Cash Capital	400,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	423,473.91
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$2,041,673.83

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**ST. PAUL FIRE & MARINE INSUR-
ANCE CO., ST. PAUL, MINN.**

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	\$2,777,730.46
Real Estate	1,009,973.34
Mortgage Loans	1,029,970.00
Collateral Loans	\$234,132.10
Cash in Office and Bank	\$64,015.42
Agents' Balances	1,728,721.83
Bills Receivable	40,473.74
Interest and Rents	180,076.34
All other Assets	127,999.76
Gross Assets	\$11,695,410.33
Deduct items not admit- ted	\$17,793.85
Admitted Assets	\$13,277,096.50
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	\$13,277,096.50
Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,669,584.68
Unearned Premiums	\$6,667,196.27
All other Liabilities	\$43,815.55
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$2,977,123.40
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$13,277,096.50

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INSURANCE COMPANY
TORONTO
Dec. 31, 1917
Assets, \$2,422,755.43
Real Estate, 1,005,357.13
Mortgage Loans, 850,477.48
Stocks and Bonds, 302.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 30,186.83
Agents' Balances, 3,149.82
Interest and Rents, \$4,342,158.69
Deduct items not admitted, 147,579.35
Total Assets, \$4,184,579.34
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917
Unpaid Losses, \$755,531.41
Unearned Premiums, 1,849,582.63
Cash Capital, 89,105.92
All other Liabilities, 400,000.00
Total Liabilities, 1,184,020.05
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$4,194,579.34

WATER POWER CO.
INTO, CANADA
Dec. 31, 1917
Assets, \$1,056,470.85
Real Estate, 308,468.01
Mortgage Loans, 384,591.28
Stocks and Bonds, 25,442.53
Cash in Office and Bank, 23,021.03
Total Assets, \$2,274,527.01
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917
Unpaid Losses, 233,153.38
Unearned Premiums, \$2,041,673.63
Cash Capital, \$387,031.44
All other Liabilities, 1,186,721.87
Total Liabilities, 2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$2,041,673.63

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ST. PAUL, MINN.
Dec. 31, 1917
Assets, \$2,777,736.46
Real Estate, 1,400,972.34
Mortgage Loans, 102,870.00
Stocks and Bonds, 9,334,322.10
Cash in Office and Bank, 964,018.42
Agents' Balances, 1,728,722.17
Interest and Rents, 40,475.74
All other Assets, 100,073.38
Total Assets, \$11,095,410.35
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917
Unpaid Losses, \$12,577,030.80
Unearned Premiums, \$1,509,984.68
Cash Capital, 6,067,198.27
All other Liabilities, 1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities, \$2,977,123.48
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$8,118,286.87

WANTS BE KNOWN,
I HAVE IT.

BRONCO BILL

By JANE OSBORN.

Old Peter Heppleton, the owner and editor-in-chief of the Morning Standard, was in one of his rainy-day moods. The events of the day only made him moodier. In the first place, when he arrived at noon he was greeted in his own office by Miss West, the society editor, who wore a troubled expression.

He answered her good morning with something that sounded very much like a bear's growl. "What right have you to look grumpy?" he asked. "You're young and healthy and all you have to do is to draw your salary. You don't have to take any risks. You don't have to worry, you don't have the gout or rheumatism. What's the matter now?"

"Only that I have to have a new assistant."

Another bear growl. "What did you do with the last one? Wasn't he good enough for you? See here, young lady, I can't spend all my time fault-finding my assistants. It is my fault they quit!"

"She got married—that's what they all do. And it puts me in an awful fix. There are two charity balls to 'cover' tonight, a coming-out party every day next week and three of the dancin' sants, besides all sorts of smaller affairs. What I wanted to ask you, Mr. Heppleton, if whether you think it would be a good idea for me to have a young man? You see, the girls are not reliable. They are so likely to get married—"

"No reason why they should," Mr. Heppleton growled. "You don't get married, do you?" And then, more gruffly still: "And you're a pesky lot, prettier than any of the assistants. You don't get married—you stick to your job. What's the matter with the girls nowadays? Don't they appreciate a good job? Haven't they any brains at all?"

"May I have a man reporter?" Margaret persisted. "Know other society editors always have girls, but a man can be severe with you, can ask him to work late every night in the week and you can boss him around without having to be afraid of offending him. And when a man gets married he just has to work all the harder."

"Good idea! Now get out and let me alone. I'll send to the city clerk right away and have a cub sent to you at once."

"Please be sure that the cub has evening clothes," said Margaret, leaving.

Old Heppleton was still growling when Bronco Bill strode leisurely and with perfect assurance into the office. But the uncle did not at first recognize in the tall, lanky, broad-shouldered figure, still clad in the soft shirt and soft hat of the Texas rancher, his nephew, William Heppleton.

"Good morning, Uncle Pete," quoth the nephew, seating himself unbidden astride the only vacant chair in the room. "I dare say you are some surprised to see me." He put out a large tanned hand and vigorously shook the hand that the uncle extended rather gingerly.

"Well, I'm here for a job. That's about the size of it. Oh, yes, ranchin' all right but it gets lonesome, durned lonesome. So I just hired a rancher and his wife—it isn't half bad when a fellow's got a wife and a brood of young ones—and I came east. Now I'm countin' on gettin' into this newspaper game. What sort of a job have you got to offer me?"

"There isn't a blessed thing," replied the uncle. He rather liked the young man's breezy manner and would have helped him if he could have done so to his own advantage. "No, there isn't a thing, though there may be later."

"Then I suppose I'd better be goin'," replied the nephew. "No, thanks, I'm not strapped by a cent. Good morning!" And he held his hand out again. But the uncle did not shake it. The telephone bell at the side of his desk had been jingling, and instead he took off the receiver.

"Yes, yes," he growled. "I know, I haven't forgotten. I'll try to get you a man. This afternoon sure. I am not sure the city clerk can spare one, but I'll tell the city editor when he comes in to dig up a green one that you can break in." And then he banged the receiver down. His nephew had taken his seat again.

"Well," he queried. "There's one of your men wantin' someone. What's the matter with me? I'm green enough, ain't I?"

The uncle knit his brow for about a minute. "Yes, you're green enough and then some," he said, and for a moment his grumpiness was lost in the suggestion of a smile. "Report to me at 4:30 and tell the party I sent you—that you're the man. And as soon as you get a chance go and get doped out the way they tell you to. That cowboy make-up won't do, you know."

It was half an hour later and Bronco Bill was sitting at Margaret West's side, and Margaret West was laughing. "Well, why don't I do it? Ain't I green enough? Ain't I eager enough? Haven't I showed you I could write the typewriter? Didn't I learn how before I came East—when I was takin' that correspondence course in Journalism? See here, young lady, I never had a girl beat me at anything, and I don't mind of like havin' you sit there and laugh at me as if I was some sort of new and strange animal that they had just annexed to a zoological park. The boss of this paper has appointed me to the job, and so far as I can see

GOOD ROADS

all you've got to do is to give me a line on what's to be done and then stand back and watch me do it. You said you wanted a man, didn't you? Well, I'm a life-size man, ain't I?"

"Please, Mr. Heppleton, it isn't that I don't think you can do it. I am not laughing at you. I'm just laughing because I don't see why you over the ranch to go into this stupid newspaper work. Why, if I ever got out in this wonderful ranch country with all the air and sunshine there isn't a newspaper job in the world that would tempt me."

"You're right there. The sunshine and the sky are all you say they are, but you'd get lonesome same as I did. You'd quit if you were out there all alone. Well, I'm going right over to get the man in the store will know what to hand me. The boss will foot the bill, so don't get nervous about how much it will cost."

It was a week later and Bronco Bill was on the job when Margaret arrived at 11 in the morning. In fact, he had been there since an early morning hour. Ranch life had accustomed him to early rising, and the late hours in the newspaper routine had not changed his habits.

"Now don't be offended because I've got my stiff collar off, girl," he said, pointing to the multi-colored handkerchief that he had loosely tied around his collar band. "I'll keep the boiled razor-edge one on when I'm coverin' things. And right here in our office it doesn't matter."

"But suppose some society woman comes in with a dinner list or something? Suppose Mrs. Vandevere?" The telephone rang and the assistant answered.

"Yes," he shouted. "What do you want. Go on, fire ahead. I've got the pencil handy. Say, spell the name, lady. Not so fast—I ain't no dictaphone!"

Margaret snatched the receiver from the hand of her assistant. "Oh, yes, Mrs. Vandevere," she cooed. "Yes, this is the society editor," Margaret scowled meaningly at the assistant over the phone and then, putting her hand over the mouthpiece, said: "This is the way you ought to answer: 'Yes, Mrs. Vandevere. Your dinner guests for tonight will be—yes, thank you. I am sure it was very kind of you, Mrs. Vandevere, to let me have the names, and please don't be cross with the office boy who took up the phone. He is very green and he was just trying to help.'"

"Call me an office boy again," shouted Bronco Bill, jumping to his feet. "Say, look here, girl. I like you. I'm durned fond of you and just for your sake I got into those swallowtails and that durned waiter's outfit and I've been hanging around at Irish wakes and Dutch picnics and bal masques every night for a week, and every afternoon I've been watchin' a lot of palefaced tenderfooters waitin' around till I was so mad I wanted to shoot the town up. Gosh, why them fellows don't get out and work in the daytime is more than I can see. And I've just had enough of it. I've got to the last barbecue. I kinder wanted to help you out 'cause I thought you were tryin' to handle a job that was a little too much for you, but you turn round and call me an office boy and you and I part company. Either I stay here as the boss of the ranch and you be the assistant and do it my way, or I'll quit. I'm no greenhorn."

Suddenly Bronco Bill stopped very still. For the girl at his side was whispering what he had never seen another woman do in all his life—weeping like a child.

"Bill," she sobbed, "I like you, too. Honest I do, and I'm grateful to you for all you have done and I know you have tried your best, but society is no place for you. You're a regular man and ought to have a regular man's job."

Bill, instinctively, but timidly, put his arm around the girl's shivering shoulders. "I'm sorry I vexed you, girl," he said. "But you kind of hurt my feelings. Ever since I heard you say that about the sky and the air the first day I saw you I know that you were the girl that could make livin' on a ranch heaven. I'm wonderin' whether you would care to marry a rough guy like me and be a rancher's wife."

"Really," was Margaret's way of consenting, "do you know I've always been waiting for a regular man like you."

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Life All Competition.
Life is one long competition, and the quicker we realize it the sooner we will fit ourselves for the struggle. There is no position for which there is not more than one applicant. If the place we want were not desirable we would not want it. And we should know that if it seems desirable in our eyes it certainly must seem so in other eyes.

So it must go to the best man—the survival of the fittest has been the rule for many centuries, the best equipped comes out on top, while the others drop back one by one, according to their comparative degrees of efficiency.

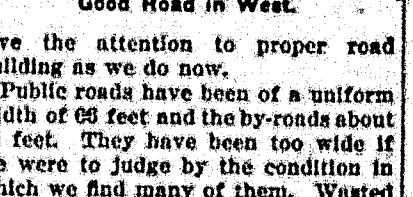
Hopeless Cases.
Smith—I hear Green was sent to the lunatic asylum last week. Is it true?
Jones—Yeah, poor fellow; he's a coward as a bedbug. Had a maula for exchanging umbrellas every chance he got.

Good Roads for Draggings.
The best results from dragging are obtained only by repeated application.

GOOD ROADS

PROPER WIDTH OF HIGHWAYS
Writer Advocates Narrower Roads and Restoring Acres of Valuable Land to Farming.

Just at this time many are interested in the question, how wide should our public roads be? A number of things should be considered in answering this question, says a writer in Utah Farmer. The kind of material to be used in making the road. The topographical conditions through which the road will pass, the proper drainage of the road. The special use to which the road may be put, if any. For years very little attention has been given to the waste of land in our road building. Land has been cheap and plentiful and years ago we did not



Good Road in West.

give the attention to proper road building as we do now.

Public roads have been of a uniform width of 66 feet and the by-roads about 40 feet. They have been too wide if we were to judge by the condition in which we find many of them. Wanted land on either side is used only to grow weeds.

Why not make them the width that is used and plant trees on either side as we have advocated in these columns before? Then the thousands of acres of land that are now practically wasted could be put to some good use.

Some of the Eastern railroads are teaching us a lesson in this regard for they are farming their right-of-way. On a recent trip East I saw great long stretches of land on either side of the railroad track planted to alfalfa. Acres were planted to truck gardening. I understand similar conditions are to be found in some parts of California.

For the sake of economy in building and upkeep let's build our roads more narrow. Restore the acres of valuable land to farming. Build scientifically constructed roads the proper width and plant trees on both sides.

KEEPING UP COUNTRY ROADS

Whether or Not Farmer Lives on Public Highway He Should Take Interest in Nearest One.

Every farmer should feel his dependence upon good roads. Whether or not one lives on a public highway he should take an interest in the nearest one to his farm or the road he must use to market his farm, orchard and garden products.

There are many times when a day's work can be spared for the road. After heavy rains the road may need certain repairs or improvements when the overseer is not ready to call out the hands. Why not individual farmers donate a day's work on the road at such times?

By keeping a road drag and grading the road along one's land after heavy rains the road may be greatly improved. It is an easy matter to have an agreement so each farmer will drag the road in front of his farm. This would maintain the road till the regular hands could be called out at stated intervals or till the commissioner could make the repairs.

The time has come when we must consider the roads an asset, indispensable to the well-being of the farmer and his family. This being true, is it not every man's duty to do all he can to keep the roads in good condition?

GOOD ROADS IN CONNECTICUT

Concrete Highways Being Built in Twenty-Two Cities and Towns—Cost \$12,000 a Mile.

The construction of concrete highways is going on in 22 cities and towns in Connecticut, and when these contracts have been completed there will be about 70 miles of concrete-surfaced pavement in that state. The highways are 18 feet wide and cost \$12,000 a mile. The longest single stretch of concrete road in Connecticut is two miles in Cheshire, on the main highway from Plainville to New Haven.

Good Roads.
Any neighborhood that does not have enough enterprise to keep two or three log road drags going for a couple of weeks during the late fall, is badly behind the times. Farmers who are too lazy to do this ought to be compelled to drag their weary legs through the mud to town next spring—as they surely will.

Best Results for Draggings.
The best results from dragging are obtained only by repeated application.

BOY SCOUTS

(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

ENGLISH SCOUTS PREPARED

The boy scouts of Great Britain have had a message from Prime Minister Lloyd George, praising their readiness for service when the war broke out. The premier wrote:

"It is perhaps only since the beginning of the war, during these three years of constant drain upon the manhood of our nation, that we have come to realize the great value of the movement which your 'chief' inaugurated six years before. We all now see the meaning of the motto 'Be Prepared,' which the association has lived up to with such sincerity and success."

"I do not think I am exaggerating when I say that the young boyhood of our country, represented by the boy scouts' association, shares the laurels for having been prepared with the old and trusted and tried British army and navy. For both proved their title to make the claim when the great war broke upon us like a thief in the night."

"It is no small matter to be proud of that the boy scouts were able within a month of the outbreak of the war to give the most intelligent and energetic help in all kinds of service. When the boyhood of a nation can give such practical proofs of its honor, straightness and loyalty, there is not much danger of that nation going under, for those boys are in training to render service to their country as leaders in all walks of life in the future."

"I can only say to all sections of the movement, old scouts and new scout, scout officers and patrol leaders, go forward; stick to it to the end."

EACH SCOUT HAS AN AXE.



Repairing a Widow Neighbor's Arbor With Pole Cut From the Woods.

CHIEF GRUB SCOUT TALKS.

Hal B. Fullerton, who knows a lot about farming and who is giving to the boy scouts the highest grade of training to a big railroad, has been designated "Chief Grub Scout." He says:

"Do a good deed every day. This applies to plant life as well as to animal life of the highest type, in our point of view. Weeds, grasses and other wild growth, of course, do not exist in any carefully worked scout garden. No real good grub scout had to pull or back away with a hoe at any weed, for the highest principle of good agriculture and good grub scouting is to turn upside down, roots in the air, the weed babies as soon as they appear. This upsetting of unwanted plant life gives the sun a chance to dry up the roots and kill the plants."

AMBULANCE FOR SCOUTS.

In recognition of the good work done by the boys of the line of the Edgemoor disaster, Robert Steele, a retired fireman of Merion, Pa., presented an automobile ambulance and complete outfit to the boy scouts.

The service which the scouts performed included work at the scene of the disaster, the directing of traffic in the city of Chester for two days, and the delivering of scores of telegrams to anxious relatives. On the night of the explosion many of the boys went without sleep in order to perform this service.

BOY SCOUT ACTIVITIES.

West Virginia's peach crop this year was the largest in the history of the state, and boy scouts came forward to help in this time of labor scarcity.

"Rubber Day" in Canton, O., meant only that all residents shall pile on the sidewalk all old rubbers, automobile tires, magazines or newspapers and other things that are usually thrown away, ready for collection by the boy scouts. The money is to be used in opening a community canning center.

SECURITY INSURANCE CO., NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Real Estate	\$285,000.00
Mortgage Loans	469,390.00
Stocks and Bonds	3,505,928.96
Cash in Office and Bank	173,849.29
Agents' Balances	403,693.72
Bills Receivable	60,458.80
Interest and Rents	69,815.21
All other Assets	26,054.52
Gross Assets	\$4,907,158.50
Deduct items not admitted	90,230.03
Admitted Assets	\$4,806,928.47
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$310,324.34
Unearned Premiums	2,704,780.54
All other Liabilities	64,244.60
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	837,473.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$4,806,928.47

MIDDLESEX MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, CONCORD, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Real Estate	\$25,000.00
Mortgage Loans	17,525.00
Stocks and Bonds	11,200.00
Cash in Office and Bank	588,768.84
Agents' Balances	18,337.40
Interest and Rents	6,513.00
All other Assets	16,970.17
Gross Assets	\$604,423.22
Deduct items not admitted	37,301.34
Admitted Assets	\$567,121.88
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$14,820.69
Unearned Premiums	319,767.34
All other Liabilities	96,862.19
Surplus over all Liabilities	225,681.66
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$567,121.88

THE HANOVER FIRE INS. CO.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Real Estate	\$979,300.00
Collateral Loans	2,532.00
Stocks and Bonds	3,554,643.39
Cash in Office and Bank	687,390.57
Agents' Balances	610,217.52
Interest and Rents	26,120.04
All other Assets	26,100.02
Gross Assets	\$5,891,173.25
Deduct items not admitted	247,597.51
Admitted Assets	\$5,643,575.74
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$247,368.88
Unearned Premiums	3,262,858.00
All other Liabilities	109,556.10
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	603,792.66
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$5,643,575.74

GLENN FALLS INSURANCE CO., GLENN FALLS, N. Y.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Real Estate	\$227,355.55
Mortgage Loans	1,544,626.22
Collateral Loans	\$284.06
Stocks and Bonds	3,192,385.00
Cash in Office and Bank	1,102,287.52
Agents' Balances	719,223.27
Interest and Rents	43,575.32
All other Assets	11,105.10
Gross Assets	\$7,162,021.04
Deduct items not admitted	12,701.63
Admitted Assets	\$7,149,319.41
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$81,934.00
Unearned Premiums	\$3,752,816.27
All other Liabilities	\$39,054.43
Cash Capital	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$2,486,537.71
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$7,150,222.41

THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY CO. OF NEW YORK

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Real Estate	\$1,268,333.43
Collateral Loans	35,174.49
Stocks and Bonds	12,925,602.10
Cash in Office and Bank	415,538.00
Agents' Balances	2,508,124.48
Interest and Rents	104,976.41
All other Assets	407,253.00
Gross Assets	\$16,793,473.74
Deduct items not admitted	1,719,143.12
Admitted Assets	\$15,074,330.62
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$3,329,839.40
Estimated Expenses of Investigation, etc.	6,500.00
Unearned Premiums	6,962,384.01
All other Liabilities	1,600,000.00
Cash Capital	1,600,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$2,111,947.09
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$15,077,330.62

THE RIDGELY PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION, WORCESTER, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Stocks and Bonds	\$15,386.65
Cash in Office and Bank	\$9,533.09
Interest and Rents	9,846.43
Gross Assets	\$34,766.17
Deduct items not admitted	24,886.08
Admitted Assets	\$9,880.09
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$225,006.83
Unearned Premiums	\$1,508.26
All other Liabilities	15,884.99
Cash Capital	180,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$83,849.32
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$416,661.39

ORIENT INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Real Estate	\$178,307.88
Stocks and Bonds	3,392,953.89
Cash in Office and Bank	\$43,409.07
Agents' Balances	\$60,324.25
Bills Receivable	2,849.84
Interest and Rents	\$7,553.84
All other Assets	18,006.84
Gross Assets	\$4,093,964.71
Deduct items not admitted	434,969.54
Admitted Assets	\$3,658,995.17
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$219,812.60
Unearned Premiums	1,938,215.70
All other Liabilities	48,284.77
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,028,982.61
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$3,658,995.17

GREAT EASTERN CASUALTY CO.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Mortgage Loans	\$99,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	905,100.00
Cash in Office and Bank	106,047.45
Agents' Balances	195,454.78
Interest and Rents	18,802.10
Admitted Assets	\$1,409,404.27
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$205,011.16
Unearned Premiums	\$34,773.88
All other Liabilities	\$8,082.08
Cash Capital	\$50,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$234,337.21
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$1,408,404.27

LONDON & LANCASHIRE FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD., LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Real Estate	\$900,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	\$349,502.38
Cash in Office and Bank	1,008,870.58
Funds in hands of U. S. Trustees	\$10,037.34
Agents' Balances	\$85,831.43
Bills Receivable	\$8,082.08
Interest and Rents	\$7,365.40
All other Assets	\$7,609.38
Gross Assets	\$6,080,136.99
Deduct items not admitted	237,663.18
Admitted Assets	\$5,842,473.81
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$224,901.38
Unearned Premiums	\$3,011,151.93
All other Liabilities	\$78,136.99
Deposit Capital	\$200,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$2,228,283.51
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$5,842,473.81

THE MASONIC PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION, WORCESTER, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917	
Stocks and Bonds	\$104,240.00
Cash in Office and Bank	\$13,682.53
Interest and Rents	\$2,370.07
Gross Assets	\$730,192.60
Deduct items not admitted	\$60,501.36
Admitted Assets	\$669,691.24
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$147,532.88
Unearned Premiums	\$222,362.00
All other Liabilities	\$77,888.84
Cash Capital	\$100,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$218,008.90
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$715,691.22

NEW JERSEY FIDELITY & PLATE GLASS INSURANCE COMPANY, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

Assets Dec. 31, 1917
